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2 November 1982MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence  
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM: [ ] A/NIO/NESA

SUBJECT: The Jordanian Arms Deal - DOD Planning

1. ISA officials have informed us that they have formulated a game plan for selling the Jordanian arms package to Congress. A back-channel message is being sent to Ambassador Viets to present the plan to King Hussein. A staged approach is envisioned.

- In December Congress will be sounded out on the deal.
- In mid-January Congress will be formally notified of our intent to sell Amman 36 F-5Gs.
- At an opportune time later in 1983 Congress will be sent a F-16 sale package.
- Even later Congress will be sent a mobile I-Hawk SAM deal.

ISA tells us they have been told the White House is determined to pursue an arms deal with Jordan in this Congressional session.

2. NSC senior staffer for Middle East issues Geoffrey Kemp is traveling to Israel this month to work out with Ambassador Lewis a strategy for dealing with Israeli objections to the deal. Jordanian commander-in-chief Bin Shakir arrives in Washington in mid-November to discuss the sale and the issue is certain to come up during Prime Minister Begin's and King Hussein's visits later this month.

3. Lobbying activity has also begun. A pro-Arab newsletter this week featured Jordan's arms needs, noting that US military sales credits to Amman have dropped to less than half of what they were before Camp David and are only 2% of US sales to Israel.

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4. ISA officials have expressed their interest in intelligence assessments of Jordanian needs. You may wish to discuss this issue with Judge Clark and other officials this week.

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